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8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

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		Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—	Rice ...	7·4	5¼ to 5½	seers per rupee.
	Ragi ...	17·5	9 to 10	

Agricultural operations.—Preparation of thrashing floors.
Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

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8. Market fairly well supplied for the present.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ploughing has commenced for sugar-cane cultivation in the Devanhalli Taluk.

Standing crops.—Paddy is in moderate condition in the Nelamangala Taluk and is not in promising condition in the Hoskote Taluk and in Closepet. Sugar-cane is in morderate condition in Nelamangala and is withering for want of rain in the Dodballapur and Anekal Taluks. Minor dry crops are in moderate condition in the Hoskote, Nelamangala and Kankanhalli Taluks.

Outturn.—Wet crops, yield 5 annas on the average in parts of the Hoskote, Anekal and Devanhalli Taluks; 6 annas in the Nelamangala Taluk and 3 annas in Closepet.

Ragi in Anekal—Yield 12 annas.
" Closepet—Yield 9 annas.
" Nelamangala—Yield 6 annas.
Minor dry crops in the Anekal Taluk—Yield 3 annas.

Damage to crops.—Avaré crops are being damaged by insects in the Devanhalli Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are reported to be not very promising in the taluks of Nelamangala and Channapatna and in Closepet and to be good in the remaining taluks. Stock of food grains is sufficiently available, but their prices are still high.

11. Public health generally good. Small-pox is subsiding in Kankanhalli town.

12. Cattle genarally healthy. But "Dod Roga" has not yet subsided in Attiguppe, Kankanhalli Taluk. Water is available for the present, except in some parts of Channapatna and Closepet where it is obtained from draw-wells. Fodder is available for the present in all the taluks, except in some parts of the Channapatna Taluk.

KOLAR.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—The recent rains have done some good to these.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in Kolar, Bowringpet and Mulbagal; horse gram in Bagepalli and sugar-cane in Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Srinivaspur.

Outturn of harvests.—

Ragi in Kolar—Yield from 2 to 8 annas.
" Bowringpet— Do
" Mulbagal—Yield 4 annas.
Sugar-cane in Mulbagal—Yield from 4 to 8 annas.
" Sidlaghatta— Do
" Chikballapur—Yield from 2 to 8 annas.
" Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Srinivaspur—Yield from 8 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season have slightly improved by the recent rains. Food stuffs are available; but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Kolar and Malur Taluks and small-pox in parts of Mulbagal, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that "Rinderpest" is still prevailing in parts of the Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta and Bagepalli Taluks. Water and fodder sufficient for the present. The recent rains have done some good in reviving the withering pasture.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market is moderate.

9. *Standing crops.*—Crops, under wells, in the Maddagiri, Sira and Pavagada Taluks, and sugar-cane in the Maddagiri, Gubbi and Kunigal Taluks are in moderately good condition. Dry crops such as avare and horse gram are reviving by the recent rain-fall in the Sira and Pavagada Taluks and in the Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks, and in the remaining taluks, they are withering.

Crops sown.—Paddy in the Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira and Pavagada Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; cholum in the Maddagiri and Gubbi Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk, Bengal gram, ragi and wheat in the Sira Taluk; and sugar-cane in the Gubbi Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Togari, avare, castor and horse gram in the Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira and Gubbi Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; paddy in the Maddagiri, Gubbi and Tiptur, Taluks; ragi in the Sira and Tiptur Taluks; sugar-cane in the Tumkur and Maddagiri Taluks and the Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Food stuffs are available for the present but their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for small-pox in certain villages of Chiknayakanhalli and cholera in the village of Pendaljeevi in the Pavagada Taluk, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" among cattle is still prevailing in the taluks of Tumkur, Sira, Gubbi and Tiptur and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Water and fodder are available in limited quantities in the taluks of Maddagiri and Sira and the sub-taluk of Koratagere and Turuvekere. Water scarcity is being felt in several villages of the Tumkur, Chiknayakanhalli, Gubbi, Tiptur, Pavagada and Kunigal Taluks and difficulty for fodder is being felt in the taluks of Tumkur, Tiptur and Kunigal.

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in parts of the Mandya Taluk are being ploughed. Lands in parts of the Gundlupet, Nanjangud and Seringapatam Taluks are being ploughed for sowing kar seeds of cholam and planting sugar-cane respectively.

Standing crops.—Bengal gram, in parts of the Nanjangud and Nagamangala Taluks and cotton in parts of the Nanjangud Taluk are reported to be not good. Gram in parts of the Nagamangala Taluk is reported to have failed thoroughly. For want of water in the Sulekere and Karigava taluks in the Malvalli Taluk crops under them are reported to be withering. The recent rains in the Hunsur Taluk are reported to have damaged avare, Bengal gram and the harvested paddy. The rains in the Heggaddevankote Taluk have caused the harvested and stocked ragi and paddy to deteriorate.

Crops harvested.—Avare in parts of the Mysore Taluk; black gram, green gram and horse gram in parts of the Yedatore Taluk; ragi in parts of the Mandya Taluk; togari in parts of the Mysore, Hunsur, Yedatore and Heggaddevankote Taluks and paddy in the parts of the Mysore, Hunsur, Yedatore, Gundlupet, Nanjangud and Malvalli Taluks.

Estimated outturn of crops:—

In the Seringapatam Taluk—Paddy, yield from 8 to 16 annas.
Ragi, yield 4 annas.

In the Nanjangud Taluk—Paddy, yield from 8 to 12 annas.
Ragi, yield from 2 to 4 annas.
Togari and horse gram, yield from 3 to 8 annas.

In the Krishnarajpete Taluk—Paddy yield from 4 to 12 annas.
Ragi, yield 4 annas.

In the Malvalli Taluk—Paddy, save, ragi and horsegram, yield 8 annas each.

In the Mandya Taluk—The outturn of paddy and sugar cane is estimated at less than 4 annas.

10. Prospects of the season indifferent in some parts and not good in others. Crops in the Mandya and Krishnarajpete Taluks are reported to be in need of rain. As people in the Ganiga village, Mandya Taluk, were suffering from want of food grains arrangements were made for doling out half seer of cholum per head gratuitously. Twelve individuals in the Nagamangala Taluk are reported to be under gratuitous relief. Food grains are available with raiyats and merchants, but their prices are still high.

11. Except for plague in a few places in the district public health generally good.

12. Cattle are suffering from "Dod Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Heggaddevankote and Gundlupet Taluks and from "Sappe Roga" in parts of the Mysore Taluk. Fodder is scarce in parts of the Krishnarajpete, Nagamangala and Mandya Taluks. It is diminishing in parts of the Nanjangud Taluk. In other parts, it is available for the present. It is reported that cattle of the Mandya Taluk are returning to it from the forests to which they had been taken owing to the prevalence of cattle diseases there.

Water is available for the present.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Wet lands in parts of the Manjarabad Taluk and wet and dry lands in parts of the Belur Taluk are being ploughed.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane, avare and Chillies in the Hassan Taluk; and avare, horse gram, Bengal gram, coriander and castor in the Arkalgud Taluk, are reported to be withering for want of rain. Bengal gram sown in beds of tanks in the Channarayapatna Taluk are reported to be withering for want of moisture. Avare, togari, castor, horse gram, green gram and Bengal gram in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and avare in the Alur Sub-Taluk require rain. Coriander and menthya in the maidan parts of the Belur Taluk are reported to be in somewhat good condition on account of the recent rains.

Damage to crops —Avare and togari in the Hassan Taluk and Bengal gram and avare in the Belur Taluk are reported to have sustained some damage by the recent rains

Crops harvested.—Togari in the Hassan, Arkalgud and Hole-Narsipur Taluks and the Alur Sub-Taluk; transplanted ragi in the Manjarabad Taluk; horse gram in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk; and sugar-cane in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season generally fair, except in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, in parts of Dod Kadnur Hobli in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and in parts of the Madihalli and Halebid Hoblis in the Belur Taluk, where the prospects are not encouraging.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Hassan Taluk, public health generally good.

12 Cattle are generally in fair condition. "Dodda Roga" is prevalent in parts of the Manjarabad, Arkalgud and Arsikere Taluks and is subsiding in the Hassan Taluk. Fodder is generally available. In parts of the Channarayapatna Taluk, dug-up grass and jola and avare stalks are being used as fodder. It is reported that many cart loads of paddy and ragi straw are being taken from the Hassan and Manjarabad Taluks and the Alur Sub-Taluk. Difficulty for water having been felt in the taluks of Arsikere, Channarayapatna and parts of the Belur Taluk, steps are being taken to sink new wells and deepen old ones where necessary.

SHIMOGA.

8. Markets moderately supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Avare in the Shimoga Taluk; Bengal gram, avare and cotton in the Channagiri Taluk; and Bengal gram, wheat and white jola in the Honnali Taluk require some rain. It is reported that sugar-cane is in fair condition in the Sorab, Sagar and Nagar Taluks and in not satisfactory condition for want of rains in the Shimoga, Shikarpur and Honnali Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in the Sagar and Nagar Taluks and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk; ragi in the Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali and Sorab Taluks; horse gram in the Channagiri, Honnali and Sorab Taluks; and jola in the Channagiri and Honnali Taluks. Horse gram in the Shimoga Taluk and avare and togari in the Honnali Taluk, are being harvested. Sugar-cane is being milled in the Shimoga, Channagiri, Shikarpur and Sorab Taluks and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk. Preparations for milling sugar-cane are being made in the Sagar Taluk.

Probable outturn of crops.—

In Shimoga—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
In Channagiri—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Ragi, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Other dry crops, yield 8 annas.
In Honnali Taluk—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
In Shikarpur Taluk—Paddy, yield 8 annas.
Sugar-cane, yield 8 annas.
Dry crops, yield 2 annas.
In Sorab—Paddy, yield 10 annas.
Ragi, yield 2 annas.
Sugar-cane, yield 10 annas.
Areca, yield 12 annas.
In Sagar—Paddy, yield from 8 to 12 annas.
In Nagar—Paddy, yield 14 annas.
In Kumsi Sub-Taluk—Paddy, yield 14 annas.
Horse gram, yield 8 annas.
Ragi, yield 10 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not fair for want of timely rains. Food stuffs are available in limited quantities. Their prices continue to be very high.

11. Public health generally good. Plague is subsiding in the Shimoga Taluk and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk. Fever is reported to be prevailing in the malnad taluks.

12. "Dod Roga" is still prevailing in some villages of the Channagiri, Sorab, Sagar and Nagar Taluks and the Kumsi Sub Taluk. Water and fodder available for the present. Their want is being felt in some parts of the Shimoga and Channagiri Taluks.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations*—Lands in parts of the Chikmagalur and Mudgere Taluks are being ploughed and made ready for sowing Kar seeds.

Standing crops.—

In Chikmagalur.—Paddy, ragi, castor, avare, gingelly, kulti, coriander, fenugreek, Bengal gram, sugar-cane, wheat, jola and coffee.
In Kadur—Paddy, jola, avare, sugar-cane, coriander, Bengal gram, chillies, wheat, kulthi and castor.
In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, kulthi, avare, jola, togari, navane, Bengal gram, coriander, gingelly and sugar-cane.
In Koppa—Paddy, areca, sugar-cane, pepper and coffee.
In Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.
In Yedahalli—Paddy, areca, coffee and sugar-cane.
In Sringeri—Areca.
The recent rainfall in Chikmagalur and Kadur is reported to have caused damage to togari, avare, Bengal gram and coriander and to have proved beneficial to jola.

Crops harvested and their yield.—

In Chikmagalur—Paddy, sugar-cane and coffee, yield 4 to 8 annas.
Ragi, yield 2 to 6 annas.
In Kadur—Sugar-cane, yield 8 annas.
In Koppa—Paddy, areca and coffee, yield 8 annas.
In Mudgere—Paddy, areca, sugar-cane and coffee, yield 8 annas.
Ragi, yield 4 annas.
In Yedahalli—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Areca do 8 to 10 „
Coffee do 10 to 12 „
In Sringeri—Areca, yield 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Food stuffs are available, but their prices continue to rule high.

11. Except for plague prevailing in certain villages of the Kadur and Tarikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. Water and fodder are available in the malnad. Difficulty is felt in procuring them in the maidan portions of the district.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops*, such as jola, cotton, Bengal gram, castor, wheat, sugar-cane, togari, horse gram and navane are reported to be withering for want of rain, except those under wells and channels, which are in fairly good condition.

Crop sown.—Paddy under channels in the Hiriyur Taluk.

Crops harvested and their yield.—Togari and avare in the Chitaldrug and Davangere Taluks, yield 4 annas; and jola, horse gram and Bengal gram in the Chitaldrug Taluk, yield from 2 to 4 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Hiriyur, Challakere, Molakalmuru, Chitaldrug, Davangere, Hosdurga and Jagalur Taluks. Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Chitaldrug and Holalkere Taluks, where Rinderpest prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Hiriyur, Challakere, Hosdurga and Molakalmuru Taluks.

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